COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
Request for Board Action

MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015
AGENDA NUMBER: 9
ITEM: Water Education Grant - Green Expo Non-toxic Cleaner Activity Supplies

POLICY IMPACT: Policy
FISCAL IMPACT: Budgeted

REQUEST
Review Water Education grant application and award grant of $1000 for funding the purchase of supplies for the public to make take-home Non-toxic Cleaners at the Green Expo as an interactive part of the Coon Rapids-sponsored Expo to be held again at the National Sports Center in conjunction with the City of Blaine.

BACKGROUND
In September 2014 the Board budgeted $3000 for water education grants. The Board had approved the Activity Description for Water Education projects in December 2007.

On 1/22/15 Amanda Bednar, Recycling Assistant for Colleen Sinclair, Recycling Coordinator for Coon Rapids, applied for a $1000 Water Education grant to cover the cost of supplies for 500 households to make & take spray bottles of non-toxic cleaners at the Green Expo on April 25th, 2015. The cleaner recipes are from the MPCA.

The grant application noted that information would be included about the importance of water quality and its link with toxic substances that can be found in common household cleaners.

Note: CCWD has given out these recipes at the 5 Green Expos we’ve attended. They are quite popular. This activity takes it one step further by offering the ingredients and supplies necessary at the Expo so people can make and take home the ‘green’ cleaners. Attendees will also be able to re-make the cleaners because the spray bottles will have the cleaner recipes on them.

ISSUES/CONCERNS:

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PRIORITY will be given to proposals which:

1. Information to the public and decision-makers regarding water resources
2. Opportunities for the public to participate or volunteer in water quality activities
3. Educational opportunities for K-12 children concerning water quality

1. Yes, to Citizens within Blaine & Coon Rapids, and local area.
2. Yes.
3. Yes, as a family activity to bring home.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve Water Education grant application for $1000 grant to cover the cost of supplies for 500 households to make & take spray bottles of non-toxic cleaners at the Green Expo on April 25th, 2015.